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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, 1.97-1.98,  
Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

JP 2002-218482 to ABE, published August 2, 2002, and corresponding to  
U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0093510, published July 18, 2002  
(corresponding to commonly assigned and copending U.S. Patent Application No.  
10/043,318, filed on January 14, 2002);

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0093579 to ABE, published  
July 18, 2002 (corresponding to commonly assigned and copending U.S. Patent  
Application No. 10/043127, filed on January 14, 2002);

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/010525 to ABE, published  
August 1, 2002 (corresponding to commonly assigned and copending U.S. Patent  
Application No. 10/050991, filed on January 22, 2002); and

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0101434 to ABE, published August 1, 2002 (corresponding to commonly assigned and copending U.S. Patent Application No. 10/050990, filed on January 22, 2002).

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite the above-noted documents. Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patent application publications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned. A copy of the foreign-language document is attached and all of the documents have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant also calls to the Examiner's attention the following commonly assigned and copending patent application:

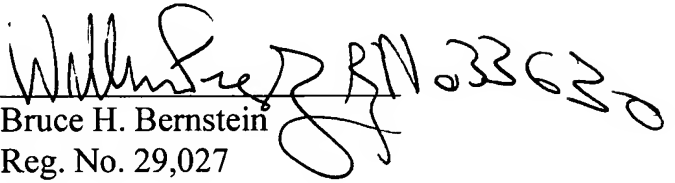
U.S. Patent Application No. 10/764,453 to YAMAMOTO, filed January 27, 2004.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the above-mentioned application is attached hereto. However, the Examiner is requested to review the file wrapper of the U.S. patent application at the U.S. Patent and Trademark

Office. Of course, if for any reason the Examiner cannot locate the application,  
Applicant will provide any requested materials, if possible.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the  
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